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## VIA OVERNIGHT COURIER

Mr. Gary Miller Superfund Division, Region 6 (6SF-RA) Arkansas/Texas Section U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 1200 Dallas, Texas 75202-2733

Re: September 2009 Monthly Status Report, Gulfco Marine Maintenance Site, Freeport, Texas

Dear Mr. Miller:

Pursuant to Section XII, Paragraph 53 of the amended Unilateral Administrative Order (UAO) for the above-referenced Site, Pastor, Behling & Wheeler, LLC (PBW) has prepared this monthly status report on behalf of LDL Coastal Limited LP (LDL), Chromalloy American Corporation (Chromalloy) and The Dow Chemical Company (Dow). As discussed in our telephone conversation on August 2, 2005, monthly status reports for a given month will be submitted by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the following month as required in Paragraph 53 of the UAO, rather than by the 10<sup>th</sup> of the following month as indicated in Appendix 1 of the Statement of Work (SOW) attached to the UAO. In accordance with the UAO requirements this report addresses the topics listed below:

- 1. <u>Actions which have been taken toward achieving compliance with the UAO during the previous month</u> The following actions were taken during the previous month:
  - Feasibility Study activities (SOW Paragraphs 43 through 51) detailed under Task 10 of the RI/FS Work Plan, including initial development and screening of alternatives, were partially completed.
- 2. Results of sampling, tests, modeling and all other data (including raw data) received or generated by or on behalf of Respondents during the previous month No new data were received or generated during the previous month.
- 3. Actions, data and plans which are scheduled for the next two months and other information relating to the progress of work The following actions are planned for the next two months:
  - Risk Assessment activities (SOW Paragraph 37) detailed under Task 7 of the RI/FS Work Plan to be continued through preparation of a Final Updated Screening-Level Ecological Risk Assessment (SLERA) (following receipt of

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review comments on the Draft Updated SLERA dated May 29, 2009), and preparation of a Final Baseline Human Health Risk Assessment (BHHRA) (following receipt of review comments on the Draft BHHRA dated August 31, 2009).

- Feasibility Study activities (SOW Paragraphs 43 through 51) detailed under Task 10 of the RI/FS Work Plan to be continued through initial development and screening of alternatives.
- 4. <u>Information regarding percentage of completion, all delays encountered or anticipated that may affect the future schedule for completion of the work required, and efforts made to mitigate those delays or anticipated delays RI/FS activities are approximately 80% complete.</u>

Thank you for the opportunity to submit this status report. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

PASTOR, BEHLING & WHEELER, LLC

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